

53C-1-305 Attorney general to represent administration.

- (1) The attorney general shall:
 - (a) represent the board, director, or administration in any legal action relating to trust lands except as otherwise provided in Subsection (3);
 - (b) review leases, contracts, and agreements submitted for review prior to execution; and
 - (c) undertake suits for the collection of royalties, rental, and other damages in the name of the state.
- (2) The attorney general may institute actions against any party to enforce this title or to protect the interests of the trust beneficiaries.
- (3) The administration may, with the consent of the attorney general, employ in house legal counsel to perform the duties of the attorney general under Subsections (1) and (2).
- (4) In those instances where the interests of the trust beneficiaries conflict with those of state officers or executive department agencies for which the attorney general acts as legal advisor under Utah Constitution Article VII, Section 16, the board may, with the consent of the attorney general, employ independent counsel to represent and protect those interests.

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